



Attorney General Jon Bruning

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Attorney General Bruning Named to National Center for Missing and Exploited Children Board of Directors

LINCOLN – Attorney General Jon Bruning was named Tuesday to the Board of Directors of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC).

“I have made it my mission to protect our children,” Bruning said. “I’m honored to join with an organization that has set the standard for safeguarding America’s youth. For the past three decades, NCMEC has been the go-to agency for parents, law enforcement, and legislators, and I’m proud to now be a part of that legacy.”

Ernie Allen, president and chief executive officer of NCMEC, said Bruning’s commitment to children and his previous work with NCMEC made him an excellent choice.

“Attorney General Bruning is a great champion for children. The hallmark of his tenure as president of the National Association of Attorneys General (NAAG) has been his tireless efforts to attack the exploding problem of child pornography, protect the children of Nebraska and America, and target those who prey upon them,” Allen said. “He is a great choice as NAAG’s first representative on the board of the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children.”

Founded by John and Reve Walsh in 1984, NCMEC is a private, nonprofit organization that provides services nationwide for families and professionals in the prevention of abducted, endangered, and sexually exploited children.

In 2008, NCMEC helped recover 13,831 missing children. The center operates a CyberTipline, a “9-1-1 for the Internet,” where the public can report Internet-related child sexual exploitation. The Tipline received more than 102,000 reports in 2008.

Some of other the services NCMEC provides:

- Serves as the national resource center and information clearinghouse for missing and exploited children.
- Operates a national 24-hour toll-free hotline, 1-800-THE-LOST® (1-800-843-5678), to intake reports of missing children and receive leads about ongoing cases.
- Provides technical assistance and training to individuals and law-enforcement agencies in the prevention, investigation, prosecution, and treatment of cases involving missing and exploited children.
- Operates a child victim identification program to assist law enforcement in identifying victims of child pornography.

For more information, please visit www.ncmec.org or ago.ne.gov.

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